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1. OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS WE SHALL TRY TO SOUND OUT OUR FRG EMBASSY COLLEAGUES CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE FINANCIAL CREDIT REPORTED IN REF. THESE SOURCES HAVE BEEN STRANGELY UNCOMMUNICATIVE CONCERNING ANY DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOP ON CREDITS. AN ECONOMIC OFFICER AT THE FRG EMBASSY TOLD US IN JANUARY THE POLES HAVE NOT RENEWED THEIR FEELER OF LAST YEAR FOR A BILLION-DOLLAR LOAN FOR THE FUTURE EXPORT OF ELECTRICITY FROM POLAND TO THE FRG. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH IMPORTANT AND SOMETIMES SENSITIVE DISCUSSIONS ARE OFTEN CARRIED OUT BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF SCHMIDT WHO HAVE HAD LONG EXPERIENCE IN DEALING WITH POLAND.

2. A REQUEST FOR A FINANCIAL CREDIT CERTAINLY WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH POLISH POLICY. THE GOP IS TRYING TO ROLL OVER TIS EXISTING DEBT WITHOUT FORMAL RESCHEDULING AND HAS STUBBED ITS TOES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE WITH POORLY-FORMULATED REQUESTS FOR DELAYS OR "EASING" OF EXISTING  
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PAYMENTS BURDENS.

3. SEVERAL SOURCES, INCLUDING TWO WELL-INFORMED U.S. BANKERS AND A RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE, HAVE TOLD US RECENTLY THAT POLAND IS REORIENTING ITS POLICY AWAY FROM PROJECT LOANS (WHICH NORMALLY ATTRACT ADDITIONAL "LOCAL COST"

CREDITS) TO UNTIED FINANCIAL BORROWING. THE U.S. BANKERS REPORTED THE POLES WILL PROBABLY SEEK A 500-MILLION DOLLAR SYNDICATED LOAN THIS SUMMER. THE LOAN WOULD CARRY THE GUARANTEE OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF POLAND, RATHER THAN THE BANK HANDLOWY, WOULD BE CLEARLY LABELLED AS A FINANCIAL CREDIT, AND WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY RELEASE OF SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION BY THE GOP.

4. SOURCES AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE HAVE ALSO TOLD US THE MINISTRY ATTACHES "EXCEPTIONAL IMPORTANCE" TO THE REGULAR, ANNUAL MEETING OF THE POLISH-FRG MIXED GOVERNMENTAL COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN APRIL 3 IN WARSAW. THE GERMAN DELEGATION WILL BE A LARGE GROUP LED BY MINISTER OF ECONOMY OTTO LAMBSDORFF AND ROHWEDDER WHO IS MINISTER OF STATE WITHIN THAT MINISTRY. A NUMBER OF SPECIALISTS FROM VARIOUS SECTOR OF GERMAN INDUSTRY WILL ALSO TAKE PART. EXTENSIVE CONSULTATIONS ARE ALSO UNDERWAY ON THE EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT CREDIT LINE TO POLAND. THUS IT MAY TAKE SOME TIME TO GET A PRECISE PICTURE OF THE IMPACT OF ANY NEW GOVERNMENT CREDITS ON POLAND'S FINANCIAL SITUATION. SCHAUFELLE

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